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#### **PATENT**

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In re Application of

Customer Number: 20277

Kouichi OKUGAMI, et al.

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For: DIFFERENTIAL SUPPORT STRUCTURE, DIFFERENTIAL'S COMPONENT, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING DIFFERENTIAL SUPPORT STRUCTURE, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING DIFFERENTIAL'S COMPONENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Copy of JIS and English translation and Lecture of Modern Metallurgy and English Translation

thereof attached herewith.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	16	20	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	8	8	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
	Multiple dependent claims newly presented			\$0.00	
		Fee for extension of time		\$0.00	
					\$0.00
		Total of Above Calculations			\$0.00

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Sir:

The following Amendment and Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.